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RESPONSE

This Response is in reply to the Office Action mailed April 8, 2005 in the subject application. The Examiner states that the application contains claims directed to several patentably distinct species of the claimed invention and requires an election of a single species as characterized by the Examiner between:

Species I, drawn to system comprising the fastener illustrated in Figure 3;
Species II, drawn to system comprising the fastener illustrated in Figure 8;
Species III, drawn to system comprising the fastener illustrated in Figure 10-11;
Species IV, drawn to system comprising the fastener illustrated in Figure 12;
Species V, drawn to system comprising the fastener illustrated in Figure 16-18;
Species VI, drawn to system comprising the fastener illustrated in Figure 19-20;
Species VII, drawn to system comprising the fastener illustrated in Figure 23.

In response to the Office Action, the applicant elects, with traverse, species I and claims 1-7, 20-21 and 24-26 which are readable thereon. Additionally, the applicant submits that claim 1 is generic.

Each of the Examiner's rejections has been addressed or traversed. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

If for any reason this Response is found to be incomplete, or if at any time it appears that a telephone conference with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned or his associates, collect in Waltham, Massachusetts, at (781) 890-5678.

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